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For: RECEIVING ENCRYPTED DATA AND

OUTPUTTING DATA VIA DATA LINK

LAYER TO AVOID ROUTING

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 (FINAL OFFICE ACTION)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed March 11, 2010, in the above-captioned case.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.